

To Kill A Mockingbird

Chapter 19
Handout 1

Name _____

Date _____ Hour _____

Theme Analysis: Prejudice

A theme is a general concept or idea, such as love, justice, or sorrow. One way to help you think of themes is to complete the following sentence: "This is a book about _____." It is clear in Chapters 17–19 that prejudice plays a large role in Tom Robinson's trial. This activity asks you to return to the book to get all of the facts clear in your mind. By asking you to determine where prejudice lies, it also lets you practice your critical thinking skills.

Directions: Review the testimony of the four witnesses and search out the prejudicial statements for the task below.

Write down the key elements of each witness's testimony in the corresponding box below.

<i>Heck Tate</i>	<i>Bob Ewell</i>	<i>Mayella Ewell</i>	<i>Tom Robinson</i>

Find three statements in the book that you believe reflect a prejudiced mindset. Include the page number for each one.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

On the back of this paper, explain what you believe the author is trying to say about prejudice in America.